

Options for Conversion Moments

What are conversion moments?

A conversion moment is a ministry designed to foster an encounter with Jesus and a call to conversion.

Conversion moments typically serve individuals in the thresholds of openness, seeking, and decision.

What makes a conversion moment successful?

- The basic Gospel message (keryama) is clearly presented and guests are invited to a personal response
- Guests feel safe to express doubts, questions, and alternative viewpoints without correction
- Good hospitality creates a welcoming environment
- Leaders are equipped to listen to the guests, ask good questions, and accompany the guests in friendship

| Large Group Courses | | | | |
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| Option | Description | Access | | |
| Discovering Christ (ChristLife) | Discovering Christ is a 7-week series (plus a retreat) consisting of a meal, a video, and small group discussion. It has options for ongoing formation in the Catholic faith, has been translated into Spanish, and is designed to reach nominal Christians. | Visit: christlife.org/ Cost: \$365, plus hospitality and participant guides | | |
| The Search | The Search is a 7-week video series with small group discussion. It is designed to reach people who are more explicitly "searching" for Christ. It could be helpful for Christian Initiation. | Visit: formed.org/ Cost: \$100 subscription to Formed, plus hospitality and participant guides | | |
| Alpha | Alpha is an 11-week series (plus a retreat) consisting of a meal, a video, and small group discussion. It is designed for a non-Catholic audience, has a large support network, and is available in 64 languages. | Visit: <u>alphausa.org/</u> Cost: Free videos, plus hospitality and participant guides | | |
| The Rescue Project | The Rescue Project is an 8-week series (including a retreat) with a meal, a video, and small group discussion. It it particularly helpful for people at the threshold of decision or as a follow-up to another conversion moment. | Visit: <u>rescueproject.us/</u> Cost: Free videos, plus hospitality and participant guides | | |

Weekend Retreats

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| Christians Encounter Christ (CEC) | CEC is a locally-led weekend retreat that brings Catholics together in community to hear witness talks on the grace of God active in their lives. Retreat options are available in both urban and rural locations. | Visit: <u>cecomaha.org/</u> Cost: Varies |
| Welcome | Welcome is a parish-based weekend retreat that brings Catholics together in community to hear witness talks on the grace of God active in their lives. It includes a formation process so that retreat attendees become leaders for the next retreat. | Visit: <u>dynamiccatholic.com</u> Cost: \$495 for year one, then \$100 annually, plus hospitality and participants guides |
| Quo Vadis? | Quo Vadis? is a parish-based weekend retreat developed by St. Charles Borromeo parish in Omaha. The retreat explores the discipleship journey of St. Peter as an invitation to a deeper relationship with Christ. | Contact St. Charles Borromeo parish for more information. stcharlesomaha.org/retreat |

Small Groups

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| Catholic Christian Outreach | Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) has developed a series of faith studies for small groups beginning with <i>Discovery</i> . It also provides four follow-up studies. It is designed to reach nominal Christians. | Visit: <u>cedarhouse.co/catholic-</u> <u>christian-outreach/</u> Cost: \$12-\$16 per booklet |
| Encounter Study (Live Lent Together) | The Encounter Study is a resource available through Live Lent Together that walks through the basic message of the Gospel over six sessions. It is designed to reach nominal Christians. | Visit: <u>archomaha.org/lent</u> Cost: FREE |

Please ask the Parish Support Team for a recommendation tailored to your parish.